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INDUCTION OF MISSILES IN ARMED FORCES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the surface-to-surface and anti-sea skimmer missile is in the final stages of evaluation with user participation;

(b) whether this missile is being developed for the Army, Navy and the Air Force separately; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be inducted in the above three services?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) The state-of-the-art surface-to-air and anti-sea skimmer missile Trishul is in final stages of evaluation with users` participation.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) After the on-going trials for the Army and the Navy, the missile system is planned to be inducted into the Navy and the Army by 2001 followed by induction in the Air Force.